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I am now ready to offer for sale at an EXCEEDINGLY LOW PRICE my entire stock of General Merchandise just received at my Brick Store in Marble Hill. Every dollar's worth of goods in the house is

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On account of the very small expense necessary to conduct my business, am in position to save you money on Clothing, Shoes, Hats, Shirts and all kinds of Underwear. Have the Largest and Cheapest line of high grade imported **Fancy Embroideries** ever brought to this market.

Also a full line of strictly up-to-date Dress Goods and many special patterns of the latest and most novel Spring and Summer fabrics, each being very Neat, Cheap and selected with taste, especially to meet the wants of the

FOURTH OF JULY

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Seeing is believing.

You are cordially invited to inspect my stock, will take pleasure in showing you through.

I am not in business for Love, Fun or Glory, but simply for **BUSINESS**, and my terms are practically Cash.

The object is to merit your patronage.

Very truly,

H. M. Smith,

The Horse Shoe.

Missouri strawberries took first premium at the Pan-American Exposition last week.

Another third term bubble has gone to thin air. President McKinley says he would not accept the nomination if it were tendered him.

The Cubans have taken the dose prescribed for them by Dr. Platt. It was, no doubt preferable to Dr. McKinley's favorite prescription, "benevolent assimilation."

The Missouri Press Association will hold a summer meeting at the Saddle hotel, St. Louis, July 12 and 13. Mr. Bryan is expected to be present and address the meeting.

Supreme court decisions condemned by the Indianapolis Sentinel. The constitution probably applies in those respects wherein it does not adversely affect the interests of the state. Trade will not follow the flag when the trusts say "no."

Prof. N. B. Henry has decided to remain with Marvyn College another year to the gratification of all who are interested in the prosperity of that institution. It is a well known fact that Professor Henry is one of the best teachers in the country, and the success attained by M. C. I. is, in a large measure, due to his untiring efforts in behalf of the school.

The supreme court of the United States in its recent decision on the insular question has upheld the principle of taxation without representation. According to the decision handed down congress may impose any tax it sees fit upon the people of Porto Rico or the Philippines. Our forefathers for eighty years by force of arms opposed this very doctrine. They endured the hardships of Valley Forge, leaving in the snow their bloody footprints, in order that the people might have a voice in the levying of taxes upon themselves. We now deny that right to the people of our island possessions—Popular Bluff Sentinel

Slot machines will probably not be found running in Missouri after this week. On next Sunday the law passed at the last session of the Missouri legislature will go into effect, the ninety days fixed in the general statutes before the taking effect of the session laws expiring on that date. After that date any one operating a slot machine or permitting one to be operated in this state will be liable to imprisonment. The bill relating to slot machines which was passed by the last legislature makes the operation of slot machines a felony, and fixes the punishment at imprisonment, either in the penitentiary or in the county jail. What is known as the

"trade" machines as well as the money machines are included in the act.—Fredericktown Democrat News.

U. S. Geological Survey.
Mining and Metallurgy, of New York, reports an intended U. S. Geological Survey in Missouri during the fiscal year from July 1, 1901, to July 1, 1902, as approved by the Secretary of the Interior, and to embrace parts of Jasper, Newton, St. Francois and Washington counties. This survey was planned by Hon. Chas. D. Wolcott, Director of the Geological Survey, and the field work will be in charge of W. S. Tangier Smith, Assistant Geologist. The lead and zinc deposits of the two districts, Joplin and St. Francois, will be investigated. It is also the plan as generally accepted, for the State Bureau of Geology and Mines to co-operate, and make the survey as perfect, for practical business uses and investments of capital, as possible.

GOVERNOR DOCKERY would, we believe, make as good a United States senator as any man in the state. The fact is we have perfect confidence in him as a man, and as a public servant, but he cannot meet the expectations of his friends, and the people of our great commonwealth, by resigning the high and responsible position to which the people have so confidently elected him. The following from the Jefferson Democrat expresses our feelings in regard to the matter:

"We are in receipt of a marked copy of the Butler, Mo., Democrat which is boosting Governor Dockery for United States senator. There may be some who have a higher estimate of Governor Dockery's honesty, integrity and ability than we have, but we doubt it. Still, we have neither sympathy nor patience with the effort to induce him to abandon the office, to which he has been elected by the people of this state, for any purpose, even that of getting a seat in the House of Lords. To our notion, there is no office within the gift of the people that is more honorable than that of Governor of the State of Missouri, except that of President of the United States. The office to which Mr. Dockery has been elected is not only that of second in honor, but is at this time of special importance. All over the state the importance of getting the right man for that position was recognized by the best class of Democrats, and sentiment settled on Alexander M. Dockery by an overwhelming majority. So far, we do not believe that any good citizen of any party has had any reason to regret the choice. He owes it to the people to fill out his time and to do it in

that honest, fearless, impartial manner that was expected of him when he was chosen. There is but one consideration by which we could be induced to agree to his abandonment of the Governor's office for that of a seat in the senate, and that would be an absolute necessity in order to prevent the election of some particular ex-governor; and we do not believe that such a contingency will arise. While we are perfectly willing to admit that Missouri has plenty of other men who would make good governors, we do not agree with the idea that she is too poor to furnish proper material for a senator without robbing the state house."

District Conference.
The ninth meeting of the Farmington District conference convened at Lutesville, June 12th, at 3 p. m. The presiding Elder is the ex-officio president, and Rev. H. Whitehead of Potosi was chosen Secretary. The minute business of the conference is to hear reports from the various churches constituting the district, relating to the condition of the church work at this time, so that there may be unanimity of pastoral effort. This part of the business was attended to by the end of the morning session June 13. The Presiding Elder announced committees on various subjects, as Temperance, Missions, Church property, Sabbath Observance, Sunday School, Bible Cause, Epworth League, etc. These committees are expected to report their topics from information gained by means of the reports from the churches.

Various visitors to the conference were from time to time introduced and made welcome to its sessions. The afternoon session of June 13 embraced reports of the Woman's Home Mission work by Miss Ella Vance, district secretary and Mrs. N. B. Henry, the conference vice-president. These reports elicited interesting remarks from several of the pastors. The committee on education submitted their report, which elicited forceful remarks from a number of strong speakers. June 14. The minutes revealed that all the pastors, with three exceptions, were present and also a fair attendance of lay delegates, considering the busy season of the year. Various committees reported as follows:

Examination for license to preach. Arthur Mather and R. E. Ford were given authority to preach; and the former was recommended for admission into the traveling relation. Jasper N. Sifton was elected to the order of Deacon. W. K. Chandler, W. H. Andrews, J. N. Sifton and Frank Wisdom were elected delegates to the Annual Conference. Dr. L. Hull and C. B. McClintock were elected alternates.

The Foreign Mission work was represented by the District Secretary, Mrs. Josie Chilton. This report elicited spirited speeches from a number of members, but the climax was reached by the masterly address by Rev. T. E. Sharp of St. Louis. The effect of this address

will live long in the minds of the hearers.

The Memorial Committee reported several desired changes in our church law, and asked our Annual Conference to memorialize the General Conference to make the proposed changes.

The Committee on the Bible cause stressed the importance of the use of the Word in the homes as well as in the religious assemblies of the people.

The Committee on Sabbath observance urged the necessity of unremitting diligence in a closer observance of the Christian Sabbath, as we understand the Word of God to teach.

The Epworth League committee reported called out some strong remarks showing how closely the young life of the Church lies on the heart of the people.

On motion the next District Conference shall be held at Potosi. A resolution commendatory of Rev. W. R. Mays, presiding elder, whose term of service will expire at the ensuing Annual Conference was unanimously passed.

A resolution of thanks was tendered to the citizens of Lutesville and Marble Hill for their hospitality in the entertainment of the members of the conference, and to W. W. Sample for the use of the Tabernacle during the session of the conference.

The Sunday school convention then proceeded to work by electing H. S. Evans of St. Francois county chairman, and P. E. Genoway was elected secretary.

June 15. The Sunday School Conference resumed work at 8 a. m. and encouraging reports came from each of the charges, of earnest Sunday School work. Valuable suggestions were made in carefully prepared thoughts by several members, and it is to be regretted that time did not allow the elaboration of the topics presented.

Let the readers of The Press be assured that the country is becoming more and more alive to the importance of Bible culture than ever before. For the above report we are indebted to our friend, Rev. H. A. Smith of Poplar Bluff, who had the pleasure of entertaining during the sessions of the conference.

Southeast Notes.

Popular Bluff Citizen: A grand total of \$2,850 in fines against local druggists was obtained in the circuit court Tuesday night.

Cash-Book: Mr. Henry Mills and Miss Maggie Swan were married at Marble Hill on the 6th, inst. by R. V. B. L. Bowman.

John Sands was shot and killed by Levi Simmons near Oriole, Cape county June 7. The act was committed in self-defense.

Elijah Moore, who was convicted of the murder of his father in Stoddard county about a year ago, was granted a new trial recently, and acquitted.

Christ Hick, a young man from Carmi, Ill., in jumping from a moving train at Poplar Bluff the night of June 9, fell under the wheels and was fatally injured.

The postoffice at Dexter was destroyed by fire last Thursday morning and other property around it was damaged. Total losses estimated at \$11,000 with \$8,500 insurance.

Fredericktown Democrat-News: Mr. Jacob Bess died at his home near this city, on Wednesday. An obituary to his wife who died last week, will be found in this issue.

Over at Jackson some one has been poisoning the dogs, and a number of the most valuable dogs in the place have swallowed the fatal dose prepared for them by some brutal being who should suffer for his cruelty.

Farmington News: Miss Carleton is 75 years old to-day and several of her friends have remembered her with slight tokens of respect. We are sorry to state that she is not in very good health, suffering from an attack of flux.

Jackson Herald: One day last week, Paul Simpson, who is about 40 years old, took a goat watch from the room of Albert Pulenwidner, and sold it to a man in Lutesville. Mr. Pulenwidner is trying to recover the watch. Mr. and Mrs. Simpson are much grieved over the action of their son.

DeSoto Republican: There is a law in this state on the petition of fifty freeholders the state geologist is required to investigate the mineral prospects in any locality in the state. We believe that Jefferson county citizens should take advantage of this wise provision and have our mineral prospects investigated.

Dunklin Democrat: The entrance of the Frisco railroad into Southeast Missouri means that the West will soon be more of a market for us. Our lumber now goes North and East; but the new Frisco may take some of it to Kansas City for distribution on the prairies of Kansas, Nebraska and even farther away.

The Farmington News is giving a Pan-American Exposition contest in favor of the lady who receives the highest number of votes, each person who pays one year's subscription to the paper being allowed one vote. The News proposes to pay the whole expense of the trip and one week at the Exposition. This is a liberal proposition for a country newspaper.

Dunklin Democrat: Trains now run from Cape Girardeau to Lotta, over the new Houck road. Mr. Houck made the trip through, Tuesday. The train is laid two miles south of Lotta, and will reach Talopana in a few days. A connection will be made with the Clarkton road, early in July, it is hoped. Mr. Houck says that the road will be completed in time to haul out the melons from Dunklin county.

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We have a large stock of Linens, Lawns, India Linens, Percales, Organdies, Batiste and Mercerized dress goods, all the latest styles. Three dozen varieties of silks from which to select waists and trimmings. We have a large stock of Laces and Embroideries of all kinds.

Our stock of Ladies' and Men's furnishing goods is the finest and largest ever brought to the town.

We have a large stock of Men's shirts and shirtwaists from which to select.

New Goods!

Call and see our fine line of clothing. We bought it cheap for Cash and are selling it cheap. Fine, all-wool, serge Coats and Vests; best goods on earth for Summer. You will find that we also have a complete stock of Overalls and work shirts.

Our stock of Groceries is always full and of the best.

We handle Furniture, Hardware and Notions, also sell the well known Chattanooga plows.

Highest market price paid for country Produce.

Our aim is to do by our customers, the very best we can. We'll do you good, try us.

Yours with best wishes,

TAYLOR & DUNN,

MARBLE HILL, MO.

Our Correspondents.

M. S. A. NOTES.
J. E. Green is again boarding in town instead of riding from home.

A. R. Zimmerman who was a constant attendant until a week ago is now a constant rider of the binder.

Nicholas Robins has been out of school for some time on account of sickness. We hope he will soon be out again.

Misses May Green and Ethel Stevens called on Prof. and Mrs. Wingo Sunday evening. May was a pupil last year.

Next Friday and Saturday are examination days for certificates.

Fred Saddle was on the sick list last week.

Several of our young folks attended the ice cream supper at Glen Allen Friday night. A good time was reported by all.

Messrs N. F. and J. M. Chostner visited home folks Saturday and Sunday.

For fear of the waste basket I will close for this time. A STUDENT.

GLEN ALLEN.

Health is good.

Miss Lulu McLean returned to her home in Cape county last week. A few nights before, Miss Anna Nelson gave a party in honor of Miss Lulu.

The young people of Glen Allen quietly surprised Miss Della Rhodes Saturday night.

The Joe Cream and Lemonade supper was quite a success. They made a nice time of money with which they will erect a belfry to their church.

Misses Gertrude and Stacie Zimmerman went into the country visiting last Saturday evening.

Orville and Hugh Zimmerman came home from Cape Girardeau last Thursday. Hugh returned Sunday.

James Belchamber went to Bismarck last week.

Quite a number of the people of Glen Allen went to Lutesville Sunday.

DONGOLA.

Health is good at this time in this vicinity.

Much damage to the wheat crop by Hessian fly is reported.

There has been no gully washing rains nor freshets here this spring.

The dry weather was favorable to most of the farmers as they got out a full acreage of corn, and the fields are clean of weeds. The corn looks tolerably well though rather small for its age.

F. G. Lambert still plies his mill sawing lumber and grinding corn on Saturdays for the people.

Big factory now going up on Richland farm owned by Dr. Witter & Dr. Witter, by a Paxico Company that, according to report, works sixty hands.

Dongola anticipates a factory next fall.

Messrs. Schlattitz and Works are getting their new store house near completion—will have some goods in it by the last of the week.

Dongola is anxious for a railroad.

VERITAS.

LUTESVILLE LOCALS.

Several of our citizens went to the south part of the county on a fishing and hunting trip last week.

There were about 75 preachers and delegates present at the district conference held at this place last week. They all report the best time they ever had at any conference.

Misses Pearl Denton and Della Rhodes of Glen Allen, were in town Thursday.

Mrs. O. J. Snyder and son, Edgar of Fredericktown, are visiting in town this week.

Go to Burford's to buy your shoes. They carry a stock of splendid wearing shoes in all the latest styles.

Prof. N. B. Henry and wife of Fredericktown, visited friends here last week.

Go to Burford's to buy your clothes.

ing. They have the nicest and cheapest stock in town.

Will Bowman of Cape Girardeau, is visiting here this week.

Miss Pearl Lutes returned home from Cape Girardeau Friday.

C. A. Revelle and Roscoe Burford went to Burfordville Sunday.

Will Henry of Whitewater, was visiting in town Sunday.

Mrs. Dr. Keelne of Castor, is visiting here this week.

Misses Flora Whitener and Lulu Estes of Marquand were in town last week.

Ed. Wann of Buchanan was in town Monday.

L. A. Goodwin went to DeSoto Sunday.

L. S. Proffer sold his place near town to E. R. Beck. Ed will raise strawberries in the future.

Will Clippard of Marble Hill is working for W. S. Langdon in the Farmer's Restaurant.

Ed. F. Poe, who has been working in the depot here, left for St. Louis Monday.

Dr. W. B. Mays presiding elder of Farmington district, attended conference here.

Martin Baker's little girl of near town broke her arm Sunday by falling off of a fence Dr. Chandler dressed the arm.

T. H. Stevens of Greenbrier, was in town Sunday.

Albert Lessley and wife of Gravel Hill visited in town Sunday.

The "Hot Shots" of this place were defeated by the Marble Hill boys Friday by a score of 16 to 14.

Dr. J. J. Chandler went to Buchanan Monday to see Charley Wann's child who is very sick.

C. P. Fletcher returned home from Advance Thursday, where he has been working on a mill.

Henry B. Cole and wife of Scopus were in town Monday.

Mrs. Ephraim Hahn and daughter, Miss Dixie May of Fort Worth, Tex., are visiting the family of Frank Hahn at this place.

Mrs. Bee Frost of Silica, is visiting relatives and friends here this week.

Any kind of parasols at Burford's you want under 25cts up.

O. J. Snider of Fredericktown, spent Sunday here.

Mrs. John Stevens of Glen Allen, was here on a visit Sunday.

The pay car went up Saturday and made several of the boys happy.

Revs. Walton and Haws of Farmington, were here attending conference.

The gospel meeting which is being held at the tabernacle by Rev. J. J. Smith, has been a grand success. There has been about 30 conversions so far and about 16 additions to the church. Brother Smith is an able preacher and everybody should come to hear him.

Paid Sunday School Teachers.
Dunklin Democrat: Salaried Sunday school teachers are the latest innovations. New York has them—people who especially prepare themselves to teach the Sunday school lesson.

A St. Louis minister is quoted as favoring the plan. He says that in some instances a tuition is charged Sunday school pupils, and he also favors that, as he says that children value something that they have to pay for.

But does not these new fangled notions do away with the old-fashioned custom of the parent teaching the children at home and going with them to Sunday school to recite?

In this fast day, however, the parent is too busy to do more than bring the offspring into the world. The infant is then turned over to the wet-nurse; the child to a governess and then a tutor, and then, it is now proposed, to a paid Sunday school teacher for its spiritual instruction.

The new act takes all worry from the parents and permits them to devote

their entire time to "sawdust" Sunday excursions, sporting contests and other affairs which the proper care of their children would interfere with.

The procession is moving.

Ten Wise Commandments.

1. Thou shalt not go away from home to do thy trading, thou nor thy sons nor thy daughters.

2. Thou shalt patronize thine own merchants that they shall also patronize thee.

3. Thou shalt employ thine own mechanics, that they may not be driven from home to find bread for their little ones. Thou shalt also consider him that is thy neighbor above him that dwelleth in a strange town.

4. Thou shalt not ask for credit as goods cost much money and the merchant's heart is wearied with bills. His children clamor daily for bread, and his wife abideth at home for want of such raiment as adorneth her sisters. Blessed, ye, thrice blessed, is the man who pays the cash.

5. Thou shalt not ask for reduced prices for "influence," for behold! guile is thy heart and the merchant readeth thee like an open book.

6. Thou shalt do all in thy power to encourage and promote thy own welfare, thy own town and thy own people.

7. Thou shalt not suffer the voice of pride to overcome thee, and if other towns entice thee, hearken not unto them for thou mayest be deceived.

8. Thou shalt spend thy earnings at home that they may return from where they go and give nourishment to such as come after thee.

9. Thou shalt not bear false witness against the town in which thou dwellest but speak well of it to all men.

10. Thou shalt keep these commandments and teach them to thy children to the third and fourth generation that they may be made to flourish and grow in plenty when thou art laid to rest with thy fathers.

A Great Newspaper.

The Sunday edition of The St. Louis Republic is a marvel of modern newspaper enterprise. The organization of its news service is world-wide, complete in every department; in fact, superior to that of any other newspaper.

The magazine section is illustrated in daintily tinted colors and splendid halftone pictures. This section contains more high-class literary matter than any of the monthly magazines. The fashions illustrated in natural colors are especially valuable to the ladies.

The colored comic section is a genuine laugh-maker. The funny cartoons are by the best artists. The humorous stories are high class, by authors of national reputation.

Sheet music, a high-class, popular song, is furnished free every Sunday in The Republic.

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All our former readers should take advantage of the unprecedented clubbing offer we this year make, which includes with this paper The Kansas City Live Stock Indicator, its special Farmers' Institute Editions and The Poultry Farmer.

These three publications are the best of their class and should be in every farm home. To them we add, for local, county and general news, our own paper, and make the price of the four one year only \$0.80.

Never before was so much superior reading matter offered for so small an amount of money. The three papers named, which we club with our own are well known throughout the West and command themselves to the reader's favorable attention upon mere mention. The Kansas City Live Stock Indicator is the great agricultural and live stock paper of the West; The Poultry Farmer is the most practical poultry paper for the farmer, while The Special Farmers' Institute Editions are the most practical publications for the promotion of good farming ever published. Take advantage of this great offer, as it will hold good for a short time only. Samples of these papers may be examined by calling at this office.

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